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In re Application of :
Randall A. Addington et al.
Serial No. 09/396,530 : DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: September 15, 1999 : TO MAKE SPECIAL
For: METHOD FOR IMPROVING A BOWLER'S :
CONTROL OVER THE RELEASE OF A :
BALL FROM THE BOWLING BALL FINGER :
HOLE :
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Applicant's petition, filed February 15, 1999, requests that this application be rendered special for examination in that applicant is over sixty-five (65) years of age.

The petition has been reviewed and is found to be in compliance with the requirements for special status as set forth in Section 708.02(IV) of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure (MPEP).

PETITION GRANTED.

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